

PATENT

Docket No. 12098

COMBINED DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY
(FOR PREVIOUSLY FILED ORIGINAL OR DESIGN APPLICATION)

As the below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name, I believe I am the original, first and joint inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

**WAIST ELASTIC SYSTEM WITH IMPROVED
ELASTIC DECAY PROPERTIES FOR A TRAINING PANT**

the specification of which was filed on May 31, 1995 and assigned U.S. Serial Number 08/455,366.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims and any accompanying drawings.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations. §1.56(a).

— In compliance with this duty there is attached an information disclosure statement (37 CFR 1.97).

POWER OF ATTORNEY

As the named inventor, I hereby appoint the following attorney(s) and/or agent(s) to prosecute this application and transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith.

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I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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Title:

Waist Elastic System With Improved Elastic Decay Properties For A Training Pant**ASSOCIATE POWER OF ATTORNEY**

The above-identified patent application is a continuing prosecution application of the application having the specification that:

is attached hereto
 was filed on May 31, 1995 as application Serial No. 08/455,366

I hereby appoint the following attorneys to prosecute said patent application and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith:

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The undersigned hereby authorizes the U.S. attorneys named herein to accept and follow instructions from Thomas M. Gage as to any action to be taken in the Patent and Trademark Office regarding this application without direct communication between the U.S. attorney and the undersigned. In the event of a change in the persons from whom instructions may be taken, the U.S. attorneys named herein will be so notified by the undersigned.

Kimberly-Clark Worldwide, Inc., a corporation, certifies that it is the assignee of the entire right, title and interest in the patent application identified above by virtue of either:

An assignment from the inventor(s) of the patent application identified above, a copy of which is attached hereto.
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 An assignment from the inventor(s) of the patent application identified above. The assignment was recorded in the Patent and Trademark Office at Reel , frame .
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 A chain of title from the inventor(s), of the patent application identified above, to the current assignee as shown below:

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The undersigned has reviewed the assignment or all the documents in the chain of title of the patent application identified above and, to the best of undersigned's knowledge and belief, title is in the assignee identified above.

The undersigned (whose title is supplied below) is empowered to act on behalf of the assignee.

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true, and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further, that these statements are made with the knowledge that willful false statements, and the like so made, are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001, Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

Signature

Thomas M. GageDate: 9-Nov.-00

Name:

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Attorney for Assignee

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PATENT

U. S. Serial Number 08/455,366

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ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS:

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(hereinafter referred to as ASSIGNOR), has made an invention and has executed, on even date herewith, an application for Letters Patent of the United States therefor entitled:

**WAIST ELASTIC SYSTEM WITH IMPROVED ELASTIC DECAY PROPERTIES
FOR A TRAINING PANT**

WHEREAS:

Kimberly-Clark Corporation, a corporation of the State of Delaware, having offices at 401 North Lake Street, Neenah, Wisconsin 54956, United States of America, (hereinafter referred to as ASSIGNEE), is desirous of acquiring the entire interest in and to said invention and under said Letters Patent or similar legal protection to be obtained therefor in the United States and in any and all foreign countries.

NOW, THEREFORE, TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN: Be it known that in consideration of the payment by ASSIGNEE to ASSIGNOR of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) and for other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, ASSIGNOR hereby sells, assigns and transfers to ASSIGNEE the full and exclusive

right, title and interest to said invention and in and to all Letters Patent or similar legal protection in the United States and its territorial possessions and in any and all foreign countries to be obtained for said invention by said application or any continuation, division, renewal, substitute, re-examination or reissue thereof or any legal equivalent thereof in a foreign country for the full term or terms for which the same may be granted, including all convention rights.

ASSIGNOR hereby covenants that no assignment, sale, agreement or encumbrance has been or will be made or entered into which would conflict with this assignment and sale.

ASSIGNOR further covenants that ASSIGNOR will promptly provide, upon written request, ASSIGNEE with all pertinent facts and documents relating to said application, said invention and said Letters Patent and legal equivalents in foreign countries as may be known and accessible to ASSIGNOR and will testify as to the same in any interference or litigation related thereto and will promptly execute and deliver to ASSIGNEE or its legal representative any and all papers, instruments or affidavits required to apply for, obtain, maintain, issue and enforce said application, said invention and said Letters Patent and said equivalents thereof in any foreign country which may be necessary or desirable to carry out the purposes thereof.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, ASSIGNOR has executed this document on the date indicated below:

July 26, 1995
(Date of Signing)

Margaret Ann Kato
(Signature) Margaret Ann Kato

July 31, 1995
(Date of Signing)

Frank Steven Glaug
(Signature) Frank Steven Glaug